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Baptist Church—Services every second and third Sundays, 11 a. m. and 5 p. m. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night. Rev. E. R. Crockett, pastor.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Order R. A. Chapter, No. 5—Abraham H. H. P., Jos. Townsend, F.; Robert G. P., Angus Paterson, Sec. Regular convocations the first and third Mondays of each month.

Order of the B. P. O. E.—F. and A. M.—W. T. W. M. Regular communication on the first Wednesday of each month.

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TOWN OFFICERS.

Mayor—F. S. Hodges.
Recorder and Treasurer—Walter Bunting.
Assessor—A. L. Vann.
Police Council—L. A. Fraleigh, President; J. F. W. B. Davis, Wm. Burton and G. W. W. Regular meeting at Council Chamber in City Building on the second Tuesday night of each month.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

County Judge—J. P. Martin.
Deputy Judge—T. Z. Martin.
Deputy Sheriff—E. S. Armstrong.
Assessor—R. J. Paterson.
Collector—S. J. Ellison.
T. Public Instruction—J. A. Hughes.
County Treasurer—T. W. Dale.
Surveyors—J. Q. Leslie.
County Commissioners—W. H. Dial, Jr.; Wm. B. Williams, Jr.; J. Porter, G. W. W. B. Williams. Regular meeting on the second Wednesday of each month.
Board of Health—J. C. Horne, Chairman; W. J. W. M. Goodman. Regular meeting on the second Tuesday of each month.

COURT CALENDAR.

Bascom H. Palmer, Lake City.
Attorney, L. E. Robertson, Lake City.
Spring Term convenes at Madison on the Monday in April. Fall Term convenes at Madison on the second Monday in October.

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Madison

A WEEK OF TRAGEDY.

Last Week's Record of Crime in Madison County a Bad One. John Pert Murdered by Munroe Williams.

Last week was a dark one for our county. Beside the murders committed by the negro desperado chronicled in the New Enterprise of last week, another murder occurred Thursday night in which the victim was John J. Pert, a well-to-do and highly respected citizen of the county, who met his death at the hands of Munroe Williams a young white man well known.

Accounts of the tragedy differ, and the true explanation will not be known, probably, until the trial of the murderer which will take place during the present term of Court unless a continuance is granted.

It is said that young Williams who was a nephew of Mrs. Pert, had been engaged in a small business with a son of John Pert and that some differences arose between them which caused Williams to make serious charges against his former partner. The matter was understood to be settled, however, when Mr. Pert heard of some things which Williams had said of his son and sent for him to come to his house and talk it over. In company with Bud Pert, a nephew of the deceased, Williams went to the house Thursday night and in talking about the matter a difficulty arose between them during which Williams received a slight cut from a knife in the hands of Pert. After being separated Williams discovered that he had been cut and stepping up to Pert said: "Uncle John, you've cut me, and I'm going to kill you," at the same instant firing the shot which caused the death of Pert. Williams and young Pert then left but made no effort to escape and were both arrested and placed in jail the next day. Young Pert is charged as an accessory it being said that he handed the pistol to Williams with which the killing was done.

The unfortunate affair deeply regretted, the deceased being a man universally respected and esteemed.

Florida Crops.

The forthcoming issue of the Monthly Bulletin, published by the Florida Department of Agriculture, will give the following facts relative to the condition and prospective yield of Florida crops, as compared with same date last year:

Condition—Upland cotton, 80; Sea Island cotton, 80; corn, 88; sugar cane, 92; field peas, 89; rice, 94; sweet potatoes, 97; cassava, 109; peanuts, 98; hay, 99; velvet beans, 106; bananas, 94; pineapples, 110; guavas, 96; orange trees, 106; lemon trees, 96; lime trees, 103; grapefruit trees, 109.

Prospective Yield—Upland cotton, 83; Sea Island cotton, 78; corn, 90; sugar cane, 90; field peas, 92; rice, 94; sweet potatoes, 95; cassava, 161; peanuts, 91; hay, 100; velvet beans, 114; bananas, 103; pineapples, 120; guavas, 121; orange trees, 117; lemon trees, 109; lime trees, 107; grapefruit trees, 115.

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CIRCUIT COURT.

Fall Term, 1901, For Madison County Convened Monday with Judge Bascom H. Palmer Presiding.

The Fall Term, 1901, of Madison County Circuit Court convened on Monday last with Judge Bascom H. Palmer, presiding. The local bar was represented by attorneys Judge E. J. Vann, A. Paterson, H. J. McCall, C. B. Ashley, C. E. Davis and C. J. Hardee, and the visiting attorneys present at the opening were L. E. Roberson, State's Attorney, of Lake City, L. W. Branch, of Quitman, Ga., and C. A. Hardee of the Live Oak bar.

By direction of the court thirty citizens were summoned from the bystanders and their names being placed in the box eighteen were drawn therefrom to serve as Grand Jurors. The names drawn were as follows: G. H. Harrell, Jno. Coffee, G. W. Rykard, J. D. Sullivan, J. F. Rye, J. L. Warren, Henry L. McCall, J. S. Baker, W. S. Leslie, G. W. Johnson, A. T. Townsend, D. S. Dixon, Ardis Warren, J. M. Stanton, W. N. Dickinson, J. M. Johnson, F. M. Dukes and L. A. M. Thomas. After being duly sworn these gentlemen retired to select the foreman and clerk and returning in a short time announced that they had selected Jos. L. Warren as foreman, and W. N. Dickinson as clerk.

The court then proceeded to charge the jury as to its duties and in the course of a very able and exhaustive charge took occasion to refer to the growing tendency of the country to lynch law which he condemned in unmeasured terms. The charge of the court left a fine impression upon the minds of all who heard it.

The petit jury was then selected for the first week of the term consisting of L. G. Leslie, T. W. Wilson, W. P. Pittson, Robert Lanier, Ben A. Horton, I. A. Wright, F. M. Buchanan, B. C. Webb, Henry Fox, Albert Pert, J. F. Martin and L. S. Warren.

After the empanelling of the jury Judge E. J. Vann arose and suggesting the death of former Judge John F. White, moved that in respect to his memory the court adjourn until Tuesday morning, which was made the order. A committee on Resolutions was appointed consisting of Judge Vann, Col. Paterson and Ashley, the committee to report at the opening of court Tuesday morning.

The criminal docket being sounded disposition was made of the following cases by continuance:

State vs. A. J. Register, murder in second degree; State vs. Steve Carter and J. X. Towles, assault to rape; State vs. Carter and Towles, assault to murder; State vs. Carter and Towles, entering building to commit misdemeanor; State vs. Pink Tindall and Collie Lightner, murder; State vs. R. C. Morris, false pretenses; State vs. Jack Tuten, murder; State vs. Albert Fluker, assault to murder, two cases; State vs. Son James, assault to murder; State vs. E. H. Barnes, assault to murder; State vs. Junius Roberson, murder; State vs. Chas. Kimball, assault to murder; State vs. John Nash, entering a building to commit a felony.

State vs. Wm. Battle, assault to murder. The Court then adjourned for the day.

At the Tuesday morning session of the Court Col. A. Paterson, for the committee, read the resolutions of respect to the late Judge White after which attorneys Ashley, Hardee, McCall and Judge Palmer spoke in eulogistic terms of the deceased.

Tuesday's session was taken up with the trial of civil cases, the first of which was the case of T. A. Denson et ux., vs. Wm. R. Wimberly. This resulted in the plaintiff taking a non suit.

Tuesday the Grand Jury filed an indictment against E. B. Sanders charging him with murder in the first degree. This is another chapter in what is known as the Register case, and Register and Tuten are charged in this indictment as accessories. Mr. Sanders was arrested and brought into court Wednesday morning.

Up to the hour of closing the forms of this paper the court was engaged in trying criminal cases of minor importance.

Hotel Arrivals From Friday to Wednesday.

MERCHANTS:—A. J. Legg, Savannah, Ga.; Geo. W. Lewis, Chattanooga; R. L. Towles, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Banks, City; Macon Broom, Quincy, Fla.; C. F. Foster, Savannah; A. E. Finkell, Atlanta, Ga.; O. H. Griffin, City; Miss E. B. Stubbs, Balto.; W. P. Head and wife; Will Taylor, City; Claud L. Morrow, City; J. P. Cox, City; W. S. Jordan, City; B. W. Helvenston, Live Oak; W. P. Thompson, City; H. B. Heguson, Atlanta, Ga.; L. E. Roberson, Lake City; J. W. Chappell, Live Oak; T. W. Lutz, Live Oak; J. D. Helvenston, Live Oak; John S. Beard, Pensacola; R. V. Dial, City; H. S. Griffin, J. H. Adams, Quitman, Ga.; C. T. Harbitt, Jr., Greenville, Fla.; S. H. Wade, Quitman; S. S. Rountree, Quitman; J. Levy, Phila.; H. G. Powell, Valdosta; Edward Hecht, Balto.; J. R. Carnes, Mobile; T. H. Gibbons, Zanesville, O.; L. P. Weathers, Columbus; D. A. Stroud, Bannville, Ga.; A. B. McRae.

NEW LINES:—Turner Brewer, Jacksonville; W. W. Hill, Lynchburg; R. S. Patterson, Danville; E. E. Gilden, Jacksonville; T. G. Jenkins, Savannah; Crawford Wheatley, Americus; J. G. Ball, Lake City; E. N. Clark, Plant System; W. R. Ward, Plant System; Jno. B. Mays, County; B. L. Kingland, St. Louis; J. A. Carpenter, Jacksonville; C. F. Foster, Savannah; B. A. Rives, Va.; J. G. Ball, Lake City; W. P. Glover, Valdosta; Albert Reich, Savannah; M. L. Smith, Savannah; W. S. Lang, Jacksonville; Chas. F. Huchet, St. Louis; S. G. Ring, N. C.; Geo. Henry, Cordele; Wm. Wickliffe, Jacksonville; S. P. Griffin, City; A. Smith, County; H. L. P. McGee, Haverhill; E. B. Walker, Jacksonville; Jno. L. Fonda, Ga.; B. A. Rives, Va.; E. A. Chapman, Lake City; J. M. Wilkinson, Valdosta; J. Frank Curtis, McClenny; E. Goss, Columbus; W. P. Wallace, Richmond; J. Gilbert Taylor, Philadelphia; J. W. Watkins, St. Louis; Ray Bush, Valdosta; S. P. Griffin, City; Jos. E. Waugh, Gainesville; S. P. Griffin, City; Will Taylor, City; J. C. Morgan, West Farm; E. L. Anderson, County; L. W. Baugh, Quitman; J. S. Collins, Quitman; E. H. Emery, Jacksonville; J. S. Gama, Savannah; Tute Howell, Lake City; B. H. Palmer, Lake City; G. C. Heary, Jacksonville; W. T. Hendry, Perry; F. O. Mays, Atlanta; B. B. McCas, Jacksonville; J. G. Haslam, New Orleans.

THE LATE MRS. THOMPSON.

The Widow Of a Famous American Perished in the Jacksonville Fire.

Referring to the death of Mrs. C. A. Thompson, mother of our fellow townsman, W. Preston Thompson, the Atlanta News has the following article:

"The news of the death in the recent Jacksonville fire of Mrs. Cornelia Thompson, widow of Gen. Waddy Thompson, will recall to the older people of the South the exciting political struggles before the Civil War, in which her husband was a distinguished participant.

"Gen. Waddy Thompson was a prominent member of Congress from South Carolina during the stormy times of the 30's. He was one of the leaders of the Whig party and was a warm personal and political friend of both Webster and Clay. He was minister to Mexico just before the Mexican War, and through his friendship with Santa Anna, the President of that republic, he secured the release of several hundred American prisoners who were held by the Mexicans for political reasons, mainly for their participation in the Texas struggle for independence.

"Among the prisoners released through the influence of Gen. Thompson was Samuel Maverick, the famous Texan, uncle of Mayor Van Wyck, of New York. Gen. Thompson, who was a very rich man, sent many of the prisoners home at his own expense. The tragic death of his widow will cause sorrow among his and her friends throughout the South. When a young matron in Washington society Mrs. Thompson was noted for her remarkable beauty. She was an aunt of ex-Gov. Hugh S. Thompson, of South Carolina, and a grand-aunt of Mr. Waddy Thompson, of Atlanta, Ga."

Plans for the Street Fair.

A meeting was held last Friday night by a number of those interested in the Street Fair and it was decided to employ a person of experience in such matters and put the matter entirely in his hands. Mr. A. T. Moore, of Valdosta, was suggested and Col. Wilkinson, who was present, offered to see him and arrange for him to come over on Monday. The meeting then adjourned until Monday night. Mr. Moore was, however, called to Atlanta, and nothing was done Monday night. It is expected that he will be present one night this week when final arrangements will be consummated. The fair will be held sure, but the exact dates are not yet agreed upon.

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